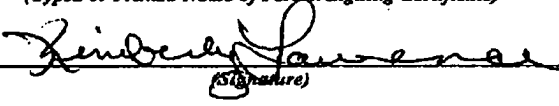


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**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT  
UNDER MPEP 711.03**

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Sir:

This Request for Reconsideration of Holding of Abandonment under MPEP §711.03 is in response to the Notice of Abandonment dated October 21, 2004. Prior to the Notice of Abandonment, the above identified application received a Notice of Allowance dated June 16, 2004, with payment of the Issue and Publication Fees due by September 16, 2004.

In response to the Notice of Abandonment, Applicant submits herewith a copy of:

1. "Part B – Fee(s) Transmittal" with Certificate of Mailing,
2. "Fee Address" Indication Form, and
3. Return Postcard,

all of which were filed with the USPTO on September 15, 2004, with a Certificate of Mailing signed by Patricia DiGregorio.

The above identified "Part B – Fee(s) Transmittal" form provided authorization for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee of the above identified application to be charged to Deposit Account 07-0845.

Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that there is no abandonment in fact and herein requests reconsideration and withdrawal of such holding.

In the event the Commissioner of Patents deems that any additional fee is required in connection with this application, Applicant's Attorneys authorize that such fee be charged to Deposit Account No. 07-0845. Please direct any inquiries to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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## NOTICE OF ABANDONMENT

This application is abandoned in view of:

- ☐ Applicant's failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office letter mailed on \_\_\_\_\_.
- ☐ A reply (with Certificate of Mailing or Transmission of \_\_\_\_\_) was received on \_\_\_\_\_ which is after the expiration of the period for reply (including a total extension of time of \_\_\_\_\_ month(s)) which expired on \_\_\_\_\_.
- ☐ A proposed reply was received on \_\_\_\_\_, but it does not constitute a proper reply under 37 CFR 1.113 to the final rejection. (A proper reply under 37 CFR 1.113 to a final rejection consists only of: (1) a timely filed amendment which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a timely filed Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee); or (3) a timely filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114).
- ☐ A reply was received on \_\_\_\_\_, but it does not constitute a proper reply, or a *bona fide* attempt at a proper reply, to the non-final rejection. See 37 CFR 1.85(a) and 1.111. (See explanation in the last box below).
- ☐ No reply has been received.
- ☒ Applicant's failure to timely pay the required issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, within the statutory period of three months from the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85).
- ☐ The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, was received on \_\_\_\_\_ (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated \_\_\_\_\_), which is after the expiration of the statutory period for payment of the issue fee (and publication fee) set in the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) (or Notice of Publication Fee Due).
- ☐ The submitted fee of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is insufficient. A balance of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is due. The issue fee by 37 CFR 1.18 is \$\_\_\_\_\_. The publication fee, if required, by 37 CFR 1.18(d) is \$\_\_\_\_\_.
- ☒ The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, have not been received.
- ☐ Applicant's failure to timely file corrected drawings as required by, and within the three-month period set in, the Notice of Allowability (PTOL-37).
- ☐ Proposed corrected drawings were received on \_\_\_\_\_ (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated \_\_\_\_\_), which is after the expiration of the period for reply.
- ☐ No corrected drawings have been received.
- ☐ The letter of express abandonment which is signed by the attorney or agent of record; the assignee of the entire interest, or all the applicants.
- ☐ The letter of express abandonment which is signed by an attorney or agent (acting in a representative capacity under 37 CFR 1.34(a)) upon filing of a continuing application.
- ☐ The decision by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences rendered on \_\_\_\_\_ and because the period for seeking court review of the decision has expired and there are no allowed claims.
- ☐ The reason(s) below: \_\_\_\_\_

Petitions to revive under 37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b), or requests to withdraw the holding of abandonment under 37 CFR 1.181, should be promptly filed to minimize any negative effects on patent term.

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1. **Petition To Withdraw Holding of Abandonment (See MPEP 711.03(c) I and 37 CFR § 1.181) No fee required**

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Petition should be addressed to the Technology Center handling the application as follows:

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3. **Petition To Revive An Abandoned Application (See MPEP 711.03(c) III)**

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